New Member Spotlight: Edelstein & Company, LLC

Boston-based Edelstein & Company, LLC, is a full-service accounting firm specializing in a variety of industries including healthcare. The company is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. For physician groups, Edelstein & Company provides accounting and tax services and a full range of practice management services to hospital-based practices like emergency department groups including revenue cycle management, contract negotiations, HR functions, operational support, administrative support, full charge bookkeeping and more. Edelstein & Company prides itself on exceptional client services, professionalism, and the highest ethical standards. For additional information on Edelstein & Company please click here.

Excerpts from a conversation with Christopher Swain, CPA, MBA, Partner, Edelstein & Company, LLC.

Chris Swain is one of ten partners in Edelstein & Company (in a company of 45 CPAs and over 100 employees). Chris’s path to working with physicians and physician groups had a rather unusual start. Chris worked as a corrections officer at Bridgewater State Hospital which enabled him to work full-time at night and go to school during the day, completing his CPA. Upon passing the CPA exam, Chris stayed with the State Hospital for a number of years.

Over time, Mr. Swain moved to the accounting department in a medical practice and became involved in practice management as well. Later, Chris expanded his responsibilities and became the Practice Administrator. Chris then had the opportunity to move to another group (and a member) and was offered a position to head up the practice management department for emergency and radiology groups. During Chris’s tenure, he pursued an MBA in Health Administration, furthering his expertise and knowledge with healthcare providers and physician groups.

Mr. Swain joined EDPMA based on his experience with the member company. He believes it’s very important to stay current on industry trends and, in particular, on reimbursement issues. He also finds that, as an EDPMA member, the ongoing information flow -- from the monthly newsletters to the weekly ED newsletter and ad hoc action alerts - enable him to keep his clients up-to-speed on the important topics facing emergency medicine providers and practice managers.

Chris said that "one of the biggest challenges in emergency medicine is the out-of-network or surprise billing issue faced by many providers." He appreciates all of the work that EDPMA and its members put into fighting this issue on the state and federal levels.